

Dec 29, 1779

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Battle of Savannah

Brit Campbell w/2000 defeated Amer R. Howe w/900

Brit loss 26

Amer loss 553

British control all but Charleston

1779

The first all iron bridge was the 100-foot span over the river Severn in Coalbrookdale, England; it was designed by Thomas Pritchard and was completed in 1779.

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Charleston, S.C. successfully
defended against Gen. Prevost

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Jean Baptiste Pointe de Saible a
refugee from Haiti is regarded as
1st settler of Chicago.

He sold his cabin to French fur
trader Le Mai.

July 8, 1779

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FAIRFIELD

After the British had plundered
New Haven, they sailed to Fairfield.
a village southwest of New Haven.

As the defenders had already fled,
the invaders met with no
opposition and many buildings
were destroyed.

July 22, 1779

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MINISINK

on July 19, 1779, a band of Indians and Tories led by Joseph Brant suddenly attacked Minisink, a village in Orange Co. N.Y. and plundered and burned the settlement. A body of militia pursued and on 22nd overtook the Indians. A sharp conflict followed, in which the militia were practically annihilated, only 30 escaping.

Sept 23, 1779

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BONHOMME RICHARD & SERAPIS

JOHN PAUL JONES

He was in command of a squadron of 3 ships
of which Bonhomme Richard was flagship;
opened battle with English ships
SERAPIS and SCALLOP under Capt.
PEARSON off coast of FLAMBOROUGH
HEAD, England. The contest was sharp
throughout and with the Richard and
Serapis locked together the fighting

was hand-to-hand.

Finally, when both ships had caught fire and were almost destroyed, the SERAPIS surrendered and as the SCARBOROUGH had also been captured, the victory was complete.

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Spain

Spain allies with France and
declared war on England.

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Germany

Peace of TESCHEN

Feb. 24, 1779

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KETTLE CREEK

While Colonel Boyd was on the way to Augusta, Ga. with 700 Tories, he was surprized at Kettle Creek, in Wilkes County, by PICKENS and DOOLEY with about 300 men. The Tories fought desperately, but were overpowered and taken prisoner. This defeat ended the organization of TORY bands in the South.